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23. A method for measuring the properties of a formation traversed by a borehole in which a directional seismic or sonic signal is generated downhole and is propagated into the surrounding formation and an electrokinetic signal generated by the seismic or sonic signal is detected by detecting means and in which the spatial distribution of the outgoing seismic signal is adjusted so that the electrokinetic signals are generated from different zones around the source of the seismic or sonic signal.

24. A method as claimed in Claim 1 in which the seismic signal is generated by the generation of a seismic or sonic shock downhole which propagates a seismic signal into the surrounding rock.

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